## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

VERNON R. JOHNSON,

Petitioner,

4:23CV3024

VS.

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION SERVICES, and MICHELLE WILLHELM, (NSP) Warden;

Respondents.

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on Petitioner's Motion for Leave to Proceed in Forma Pauperis ("IFP"). Filing No. 2. Habeas corpus cases attacking the legality of a person's confinement require the payment of a \$5.00 fee. 28 U.S.C. § 1914(a). The Court has reviewed the application to proceed IFP pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1)-(2). Petitioner's trust account information shows that Petitioner's account contained an average monthly balance of \$100 or more for the six-month period immediately preceding the filing of the petition. Filing No. 3. Thus, the Court concludes that Petitioner must be required to pay the \$5.00 filing fee because he has the financial ability to do so. See 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a). No further review of this case will take place until the fee is paid.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

- 1. Petitioner's request to proceed IFP, Filing No. 2, is denied.
- 2. Petitioner must pay the \$5.00 filing fee within 30 days. Petitioner is warned that if the fee is not paid as required, the Court may dismiss this case without further notice.

- 3. The Clerk of the Court is directed to set a pro se case management deadline in this case using the following text: **April 3, 2023**: deadline for Petitioner to pay \$5.00 filing fee.
  - 4. No further review of this case will take place until the filing fee is paid.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2023.

BY THE COURT:

Joseph F. Bataillon

Senior United States District Judge